GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned ` Ab D.D.A. ki Harit Patti ko Nigalne kiTayyari Mein Juta Jhuggi Mafia` appearing in the `Dainik Jagran` dated April 7, 2000;

(b): if so, the facts reported therein and the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(c): the names of areas of Delhi inhabitated by Jhuggies dwellers alongwith the efforts made by the Government to remove them so far?

Answer

MINISTER FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. However, DDA has reported that the jhuggi clusters near school block in Mandavali area and Geeta Colony, as mentioned in the news item, are not on DDA land. Regular demolition programmes are carried out by the DDA to remove encroachments on their lands.

(c): Slum & JJ Department of MCD has reported that as per the assessment made in March 1994 there are about 1080 JJ clusters located all over the city. Slum Department has so far relocated 16251 number of jhuggi families from the various JJ clusters.